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GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT

Serial Nos. Five only.

Part B for May 1943.

SUBJECT.

Recruitment of Mysoreans in the Indian Army.

(P.M. Krishnan)
31-5-43.

From.

The Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops.

5352. M.R.O.574/42 dated 27th March 1943 requesting in the circumstances stated to address the Residency again regarding the recruitment of Mysoreans in the Indian Army.

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1) Kind reference is invited to the letters issued to the Residency regarding recruitment of personnel from this State to the Indian Army. Permission is being given to the visits of Technical Recruiting Officers only for recruiting technical personnel. The Chief Commandant doubts from the figures furnished by the Assistant Technical Recruiting Officer, whether such a large number of recruits with technical qualifications are available in rural areas in the State. In the circumstances the Chief Commandant wants the Military authorities to completely stop taking the Mysorean recruits for the Army till the requirements of the State Troops are fully met.

2) Submitted for orders whether the Residency may be addressed as desired.

3) The Chief Commandant's letter seems to indicate that under cover of recruitment for technical posts, persons are being enrolled in large numbers from rural parts and that this has interfered with recruitment to the Mysore Army. Presumably the Chief Commandant wants that even this recruitment for technician's posts should cease. It will be difficult to prove or even suggest that the Assistant Technical Recruiting Officer has been recruiting non-

technical men, unless it can be shown that the persons selected by him have joined the Indian Army, not being qualified for technicians' posts. The Residency has already been addressed to instruct the Military authorities not to recruit Mysoreans for the Indian Army and this request continues to be in force.

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4) It is unnecessary and even difficult to address the Residency again unless we can establish that some at least out of the 1089 men have been taken to the Army, being ~~qualified~~ unfit as technicians, though recruited as such.

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5) The C.C may ascertain from A.T.R.C, what kinds of recruits selected from the State area, for what purpose they were recruited & whether they have been enlisted/employed for the same purpose. In the light of the information received, we may consider the question of moving the Residency again.

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6) Accepted.

5 5c 31/3. 7) Issue 2820/D d 31st March 40 to A.C.C. from the C.C. in S. Troops. NO M.R.O 648 of 27-4-43. Demands & requisitions re personnel recruited for I.A, I.A.F & R.I.N. 8) Sales with reference to para 5 supra. The S.S. Branch

5c 29/4/43.

offered any remarks on his previous proposal with reference to the information now received (Vide Sentence 3 of his original letter Q. 27.3.43). He may, if advised, be requested to state whether in view of the information now obtained a reference should be made U/S 4(1) or not and also for what reasons

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Q/A. Yes.

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Subd with a draft letter to the C.C., M.S.T. accordingly, for approval.

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3.5.43.

Issued No 4191/W Dt 3-5-43.

to C.C. M.S. Troops.

From C.C. Mysore

No M.R.0677 Dt 5-5-43

States that no reference need be made to Regn. Secy. for perusal,

Sd/- S 11/5/43.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

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No. 5352 - MP.O.574/42

Encls. Enc. nil.

OFFICE OF

The Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops,
Hebbal, Bangalore,

Date 27th March 1943.

To

The General Secretary
to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, B a n g a l o r e.

GENERAL SECRETARY 29 MAR 1943

Sir,

Urgent Ref. xxx

I have the honour to invite reference to correspondence ending with letter No. Pol.734/2, dated 30th September 1942 to the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, requesting him to address the military authorities not to recruit Mysoreans for the Indian Army.

2. Though this order ~~is~~ has not been rescinded by Government ~~yet~~, I am afraid the Indian Army is recruiting Mysoreans. I enclose copy of a memo from the Assistant Technical Recruiting Officer stating that he has enlisted 1,089 recruits from the Mysore State from June 1942 to February 1943. Very recently, I had to get back 5 deserters of the Mysore State Troops who were enlisted in the Indian Army Units. I am not aware how many more of our deserters have enlisted fraudulently in the Indian Army.

3. The idea in restricting the enlistment of Mysoreans in the Indian Army was to get combatants for the Mysore State Troops. From the figures furnished by the Assistant Technical Recruiting Officer, I am inclined to consider that recruits not qualified technically may also have been enlisted. It is seriously open to doubt if recruits with technical qualifications are available in such large numbers in rural areas of Mysore State. Enlistment of men who are fit to be combatants should not be made by the Technical Recruiting Officer on the ostensible reason that they are intended to be technicians in the Indian Army. If only there was scope for me to verify the qualifications of recruits enlisted by the

Technical Recruiting Officer, itwould perhaps strengthen the case of the Mysore Durbar.

As regards reinforcements to No.51(Mysore) G.P. Tpt. Company, the Recruiting Officer, Bangalore, is responsible for providing a quota of 12 recruits per month. He states that he has been recruiting only Madrassis. We do not want Madrassis as reinforcements for No.51(Mysore) G.P. Tpt. Company. I have intimated the Recruiting Officer that he may enlist 12 Mysoreans per month.

As our troops are under strength, and in view of the difficulty experienced in getting recruits, it is necessary that Government should address the military authorities of the Indian Army to completely stop taking the Mysorean recruits for the Army until our requirements are fully met, with the exception of the above.

I request you to be so good as to take this question again with the Residency.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Col.,
Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops.

Letter No.101/202 dated 11th March 1943, from A.T.R.O. Cornwallis Barracks, Bangalore, to the Recruiting Officer Mysore State Troops, Mysore.

Sub-Recruitment of Mysoreans.

Ref:-Your No.M.R.O.537/423 D/9-3-1943.

I append below the number of men from Mysore State recruited from June 1942 to February 1943 both months inclusive as desired:-

June 1942	...	180
July 1942	...	132
August 1942	...	153
September 42	...	138
October 42	...	147
November 42	...	148
December 42	...	70
January 43	...	69
February 43	...	52
		1089

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For Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops.

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SUBJECT..... Recruitment of Mazbees for the Indian Army

Section War

File No. 47-42

Serial No. 5

Diary No. of letter replied to.....

No. 2820/W d 31-3-1943

To

The C. C.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue.... 31-3-43

With reference to your letter no 5352 - M.R.O 574/42 dt 27/3/43 on the above subject I am directed to request you kindly ascertain from the A.T.R.O/ draftsmen what kind of recruits were selected from the State area, and for what purposes from ~~Amritsar~~ they were

Signed by.... K. SKV

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have been enlisted and
employed for the same
purpose other ~~case performed~~
~~than those~~
~~The information to Govt.~~

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C. F. No. 46]

GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

3082/W

No. M.R.C.648
Encls. Enc. 1.

OFFICE OF the Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops, Hebbal, Bangalore.

Date 27th April '43.

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of ~~Mysore~~, B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

Sub:-- Recruitment of Mysoreans for the Indian Army

With reference to your letter No. 3795/W dated 31-3-43, on the above subject, I have the honour to forward for information of Government, a copy of letter No. 122/4 dated 12/4/43 received from the Technical Recruiting Officer, Southern Area.

CHIEF SECRETARY
28 APR. 1943
GOVT OF MYSORE

I have the honour to be,
S i r,
Your most obedient servant,

Col.,
Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops.

Copy of letter No. 122/4 dated 12-4-43 from the Techincal Recruiting Officer, Southern Area to the Chief Commandant, Mysore State Troops, Hebbal, Bangalore.

Sub:- Recruitiment of Mysoreans.

MEMORANDUM.

Reference your M.R.O. 597 dated the 8th April '43.

Personnel recruited by the Technical Recruiting Organization for the Royal Indian Navy, the Indian Army and the Indian Air Force from Mysore State are divisible into the following major groups --

(a) Men educated up to S.S.L.C. standard or above. These are enrolled mainly into the Army or I.A.F. as clerks or Storemen, and into the R.I.N. for communication Branch.

(b) Personnel who have studied up to the approximately Form IV and above, and who are able to speak and write English or Hindustani and also pass a simple test in arithmetic Such are recruited for the R.I.N. as Seamen and Stokers and for the lower groups in the I.A.F. for training in a number of categories.

(c) Tradesmen. Applicants are trade tested in their trade. Depending on the result of this test they are, if medically fit, enrolled mainly for service in the Army. If they are semi-skilled in their trade they are enrolled as "Improvers". Otherwise as Gde. I, II or III Tradesmen. It is confirmed that they are employed in the Services in the category in which they are enrolled.

The principle trades under this sub-heading are:--

Fitters	Welders
Electricians	Textile Refitters
Carpenters	Bricklayers
Blacksmiths	Bakers
Tinsmiths	Sawyers
Coppersmiths	Bootmakers.

(d) Civilian Driving Instructors. Thse are experienced motor drivers who must have the ability to impart training in driving and simple maintenance. They are engaged and not enrolled.

Details of the categories and the educational and physical qualifications and standards required for technical personnel for the Services are given in the attached pamphlet "Recruitment to the Ranks of the R.I.N., I.A. and I.A.F." pages 1- 4 and 8 - 14 inclusive.

Will you kindly inform me if any further information is required.

For Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops.

Appendix F. G.—1]

SUBJECT.....

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Section War

File No. 47-42

Serial No. 4.

Diary No. of letter replied to.....3082/W.

No. 4191/W.

To

The C.C., M.S. Troops.

General and Revenue Secretariat

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Sir,

Date of issue..... 3.5.43

Recruitment of Mysoreans for the Indian Army.—

Signed by..... Mr. S.K.V.

With reference to the ~~Advice~~ ~~to your letter~~ correspondence ending with your

your letter No. M.R.O.648 dated the 24th April '43 on the above Subject, I am directed to request you to state whether in view of the information now obtained from the T.R.O., Southern Area, in the matter, a refee need still be made to the Resy; & if so, on what lines & for what reasons. I am

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reply requested

I have etc.

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Examined by.....

Chief Secy to Govt.

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GOVERNMENT OF MYSORE

No. M.B.O. 677/423
Encls.

OFFICE OF the Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops, Hebbal, Bangalore,

Date 8th May 1943.

To

The Chief Secretary
to the Government of His Highness
the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

Subject:- Recruitment of Mysoreans for the Indian Army.

With reference to your letter No. 4191, dated 3rd May 1943, I have the honour to state that it is not necessary to make a reference to the Residency in the matter.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Col.,
Chief Commandant,
Mysore State Troops.